

## THE FLOOD OF 1915.

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over the town, and only a half dozen houses escaped inundation. It is a repetition of conditions of 1881—some seem to think it was worse, as drinking water could not be obtained. The southwest portion of Craig was partly under water, but not seriously damaged; this was caused by the Little Tarkio.

Thus it may be said, as in 1881, the entire Missouri bottom from Forbes, north to the state line is completely inundated—only here and there a farm may be seen, by reason of elevation and other causes have escaped, and the destruction is far greater by the 1915 flood than that of 1881, because there are far greater acreage now in cultivation.

The Nodaway river bottoms from its mouth to the state line, is in like condition.

The flood of 1915, will go on the records of Holt county, as the most far reaching in its destructiveness in its history.

County Highway Engineer J. H. Peret estimates the damage to the roads and bridges of the county at \$50,000.

The Missouri river during the flood, was at no time to the flood line—12 feet being the danger line; that is 12 feet above low water mark. On Wednesday, 14th, it was 8.08 above the low line; 15th it was 10 feet; 16th it was 10.05 feet; on the 17th, Saturday, it was 10.04 feet. On June 23d the river was 11.00 feet above the low water mark, or within one foot of the danger line—while last week, it was lower by one foot, or within two feet of danger marking. On Monday, July 19th the marking at St. Joseph was 11.06, or within .94 of a foot of the danger line.

If you wish to ascertain the condition of the Missouri river as to its volume of water, you should remember these facts. The basis is 0 at St. Louis, the low water mark indicates 363.7 feet at St. Joseph; danger line is 10 feet above this marking, or 393.7 feet; and high is marked at 395.7 feet or 12 feet above the low mark. In 1881 the marking at St. Joseph was 403.3 feet or 10.6 feet above the low line.

Follow the meanderings of the Missouri river along the line of Holt county from its south to its north line, and you will travel the distance of 53 1/2 miles. Do the same along the Nodaway river from the south line to the north line, and the distance is 53 miles.

The giving way of the railroad bridge across the Nodaway, Wednesday night, July 14th, was the cause of the abandoning of the mainline trains and also those of its Denver and Billings runs. Many feet of its trackage washed out at Corning and other places on its K. C. and C. B. line, and its branches.

The flood caused the greatest "tie up" at St. Joseph, in the history of that city.

The flood of 1915 we believe means a loss to the farmers of Holt county, approximately half a million dollars, and to the railroads, twice this amount, and not an artery in the great business world of this section but will feel keenly this great loss.

This flood of 1915, following the extreme dry years of 1913 and 1914, is but a verification of the old adage that extremes follow.

Monday 19th, a rise in the Big Tarkio river puts its waters into the Big Lake from the north end and Kahn Island was in danger of being covered with water. The river also got around Burr Oak school house, and on the lands of Sol Anno, Chas. Moser, George Leane and others.

Mound City was without mail connections from Tuesday, July 13 until Sunday, July 19th. They obtained mail by driving to Napier on Sunday.

The Big Tarkio levee, south of Craig and northwest of Bigelow, along the south bank of the old bed of Big Tark, gave way, and flooded all the lands in sections 31, 32, 33 in 6230; sections 4, 5, 6, 8, 9 in 6130, covering lands owned by the Shellenberger, Jones, Morse, Bridgeman, Richards, McCoy, Iden, Smiths and others. It is believed by some that this levee was dynamited, in order to let the water off of the north side of the levee.

In 1881 there were 277,457 acres assessed in Holt at a valuation of \$2,401,280. For 1915, taxes were assessed on 283,723 acres, at a valuation of \$4,991,730.

In estimating the loss to the farmers in the flooded district, we estimate the acreage in the bottom section of the Missouri and Nodaway rivers at 60,000 acres, 50,000 that are in cultivation, and perhaps 10,000 will escape the flood's ravages, leaving 40,000 acres that have been ruined so far as crop production this year. It is safe to say that the value of the production of these 40,000 acres is \$30 per acre, which would mean an aggregate loss to the flooded district of \$1,200,000.

On Tuesday, 20th inst., the Missouri river rose to such height as to back up into the H. A. Dankers slough,

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**B. H. DAWSON**

Secretary.

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## A Review.

A review of J. H. Kiplinger's article on the "Qualifications of a Minister of the Gospel of Jesus Christ," by Elder W. H. Hardman.

I am glad to know that this important subject is being brought to the notice of the Christian people. There is no part of the divine teaching that is more important to us than the qualifications of a gospel minister, as set forth by inspiration. The success of Christianity in every community largely depends upon the qualifications of the ministry.

I would like to heartily endorse the introductory remarks of Mr. Kiplinger as to a thorough knowledge of the Old Testament upon the part of the gospel ministry. Paul says, Gal 3:24, "The Law of Moses is a schoolmaster that brings us to Christ." Any man with average intelligence and diligence can acquire this qualification. I would like also to endorse his first qualification of the minister, as to the new birth. Every true follower of Christ must have his new birth, John 3:5 says, "Except ye be born of the water and the spirit ye can not enter the kingdom of God." James shows us how a man is begotten. James 1:18, says, "Of His own will begot He us by the word of truth"; therefore, being begotten by the word of truth, which is the spirit, it remains for us to be born of the water, as stated in Mark 16:16, "He that believeth and is baptized shall be saved, in order to become a member of the kingdom of God."

As to the second qualification, as stated by Mr. Kiplinger, that a minister must have, or prayerfully seek until he receives the baptism of the Holy Spirit and fire, I would say that no one human being ever received both. The Apostles on the day of Pentecost, Acts 2:1-4, received the baptism of the Holy Spirit and spoke in strange tongues. Those who will receive the baptism of fire, Matt. 3:11-13, are the disobedient. This coming after the judgment. A man in this world has the privilege of choosing between the two baptisms. But as to the qualifications of a minister of the gospel, we submit the following: Acts 6:1-6. These men were selected by the church, because of their natural qualifications and knowledge of the word of God, to do the work of the church. Acts 8:1-4, we find that because of the persecution of the church that all the members were scattered abroad and went everywhere, preaching the gospel. Please notice first, that the men selected by the church were of honest report and full of wisdom and the Holy Spirit, before the Apostles laid their hands on them. Notice second, that the laymen who were scattered abroad, because of the persecution of the church, went everywhere preaching the gospel, and that they had no special laying on of hands or special divine call, but were people who were members of the church of God. Acts 16:1-4, in the case of Paul making choice of a young man to preach, he selected Timothy, who had been taught by his mother and his grandmother and was of good report among the brethren. First Timothy 4:11, that after Paul had trained Timothy for a few years in a practical way he then set him apart by the laying on of his hands for the special work of an evangelist. Second Tim. 2:1-2, he charges him to preach the fundamental principles of the gospel of Jesus Christ to faithful men, that they may be qualified to teach others also. This is the only rule we have in the New Testament of making preachers.

We are glad to endorse the third qualification as set forth by Mr. Kiplinger in regard to preachers being an example to the people of the Church and to the world.

As to article four, the special divine call to the ministry, we have referred to that above, and here will call your attention to Rev. 22:17, "Let the spirit and the bride say come, and let him that heareth say come, and let him that is athirst say come." Here we find the spirit, and the bride and he that heareth the word in obedience all authorized to preach and teach the gospel to the world.

In regard to the men such as Luther, Sam Jones, Billy Sunday and others, whom he says are especially called of God for the special work, we would say in the words of Longfellow:

"The lives of great men all remind us,  
We can make our lives sublime,  
And departing leave behind us  
Footprints on the sand of time.  
Footprints that perhaps another,  
Sailing o'er the sea of life,  
The form and shipwreck brother,  
Seeing may take hope again."

ELDER W. H. HARDMAN, U. D. M.

## Real Estate Mimeograph.

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Transfers for week ending July 17, 1915:

WARRANTY DEEDS  
Emma D Zook to Frank H. Graham, part block 22, Oregon... \$1,700  
Bertha A. Campbell to Walter H. Campbell, interest w2 nw ne 23, 32, 36...  
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| 4 cans Lye, powdered or solid.....                      | 25c    |
| 15c package Corn Flakes, per package.....               | 10c    |
| Oil, the same you pay others 8c to 10c, per gallon..... | 6c     |
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| Horse Shoe and Star Tobacco, per pound.....             | 40c    |
| Granger, Sunny South, Cotton Ball, Walkers, 6 for.....  | 25c    |
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## Wright-Thomas Wedding

At the beautiful suburban residence of Dr. and Mrs. R. W. Thomas on the Asylum road, a few miles east of St. Joseph, at 6:30 o'clock Wednesday evening, July 14, 1915, Mr. Frank L. Wright led to the marriage altar Miss Pearl E. Thomas, Miss Marguerite Jackson, of St. Joseph, accompanied on the piano by Miss Bess Brown, of Columbia, Missouri, sang "I Love You Truly." And then while Miss Brown with deft fingers played the wedding march, the bride and groom, preceded by their attendants, Miss Madge Donovan, cousin of the bride, of Rock Port, Mo., and Mr. George Daugherty, of Macon, Mo., marched to their position in front of the officiating clergyman, Rev. T. D. Roberts, pastor of the Woodville and New Point Presbyterian churches, who took their vows of love and fidelity to each other and pronounced them husband and wife. The ring ceremony was used. The marriage was witnessed by the relatives of the contracting parties and a few invited guests. At the close of the ceremony the happy couple received the hearty congratulations of their friends and then light refreshments were served. The rooms were beautifully decorated with field daisies and a color effect of yellow and white prevailed in the refreshments. The presents were many, beautiful and most useful.

The bride is the daughter of Dr. and Mrs. R. W. Thomas, formerly of this county, but who have been living in St. Joseph for many years. She is a woman of many accomplishments, a graduate of the Missouri University and has taught domestic art in the agricultural college of Kansas, at Manhattan, for the past two years. There are many evidences of her artistic skill about the home. The groom is also a graduate of our state university, and it was there that cupid shot his arrows of love which eventuated in their engagement and happy marriage. Mr. Wright has chosen for his life work Agricultural Extension Service and has accepted a position as County Agent at Mt. Vernon, Posey County, Indiana. It was the plan of Mr. and Mrs. Wright to spend a part of their honeymoon with friends here in Holt county and especially to visit the bride's aged grand father, Mr. William Adkins, but the floods cut off every avenue of approach, so they very reluctantly gave up their visit and turned their faces toward their future home in Indiana, to take up their life work as helpers of one another.

## REAL ESTATE

1.—266 acres, about six miles of Oregon and one mile of Forbes. Six room house, new; barns, 40x40 and 30x52; cow shed, 30x20; smoke house, hen house, silo, arch cave; 8 acres orchard, all kinds of small fruit; 35 acres of alfalfa; 25 acres of oats; 75 acres of corn; 25 acres timothy and blue grass pasture; 30 acres extra good young timber. Must be seen to be appreciated. See us for price—it is priced right.

2.—50 acres, two miles north of Oregon; four room house, new; closets and kitchen cabinet; good barn, 24x40; shed, 14 foot; two hen houses; arch cave, cistern, wood shed, hog shed, corn crib, all fenced and cross fenced; nice orchard, two wells. Improvements new. Terms. See us immediately.

3.—160 acres, near Oregon. One of the finest farms in Southern Holt. Call and investigate.

5.—160 acres in Scott county, Arkansas, for sale or trade. Will trade for stock. Trade at reasonable figure.

6.—20-acre farm, near Corning, for sale or trade.

7.—40 acres, with 7 acres of good orchard; good five room house; plenty of water; all necessary out-buildings. About four miles north of Oregon.

8.—123 1/2 acres; six room house, new; barns; sheds. About 3 1/2 miles of Oregon. This certainly is a fine farm and must sell soon. At \$125 per acre—worth \$150.

10.—80 acres, about 2 1/2 miles of Oregon—a fine 80 acres—at a very reasonable price.

We have other farms listed. Call and see them.

## CITY PROPERTY.

1.—One six room house and 2 1/2 lots; cistern, wood house, good garden, fruit and berries, good cellar. This house will be painted, two coats of painted, and papered and put in No. 1 shape. Price, \$1500.

2.—North half 7-8, block 15, Oregon, Mo. Four room house and pantry; side walk, cistern, hydrant in yard, large garden, peaches, plums and some raspberries.

We have other city property listed.

We will be able to make you loans on your Real Estate soon at a reasonable rate. Watch for our ad.

## GREENE & GREENE

Office over Citizens' Bank.

OREGON, MO.

—Mrs. E. L. McDonald and children, of St. Joseph, who have been visiting here for several weeks, the guests of her parents, Daniel Kunkel, Sr., and other relatives, returned to their home, Tuesday of this week.

—Ed. Noelich, residing about two miles northeast of Oregon, reports that the storm in his vicinity, last Sunday evening was rather severe, the wind blowing down and breaking off trees ten inches in circumference.

## Ditch Meeting!

Arrangements have been perfected for a Ditch meeting to be held at Mound City, next Saturday, July 24, 1915, at 10:30 a. m. All persons interested in ways and means to provide for the handling of flood waters in the Missouri River Valley of Holt County, Missouri, are urgently requested to be present. And again, we, the undersigned, invite and urge your attendance.

A. W. VAN CAMP.  
JOHN E. SLATER.